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Children's Mural: Community Unity Project

Civic Center Lawn - Monday July 4, 2005 from 11am to 1pm

110 E. Main Street, Los Gatos

Los Gatos, CA (June 6, 2005)—The Los Gatos Art Association will partner with Courtside Club, Kiwanis, and the Museums of Los Gatos to host a Children's Mural at this year's Fourth of July Celebration in the Town of Los Gatos. These four groups will sponsor the construction of a 16' mural in 4' x 4' panels, and supervise its painting by children participating in Kids' Activities from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm on the front lawn of the Civic Center.

This project was initially proposed by Elke Groves, President of the Los Gatos Art Association at a May meeting regarding Community Unity, a concept for collaboration launched by Mayor Mike Wasserman. "The Los Gatos Art Association already supervises a Kid's Art tent on July 4th, so this is an easy way to add some more painting fun," said Groves. "We would like to see the completed children's mural become a 'traveling' art piece which will find continuing use by more community organizations."

"We love the idea, and would like to see the completed mural installed at the Art Museum of Los Gatos behind the bench on Main Street as its first stop in town," said Laura Bajuk, President of Kiwanis Club.

Shelly Alifano, Director of Community Relations at Courtside Club, added, "Our clients are excited about this mural, so it was easy to find volunteers." Thanks to an invitation by Curator Catherine Politopoulos, volunteers will meet at the Art Museum at 4 Tait Avenue on June 18th to prime the panels and add a background to spark children's imagination.

Donations of used men's shirts are sought for use as smocks on July 4th. Please contact Chris Miller at camiller@scu.edu.

For more information on Community Unity, please visit www.losgatosca.gov/new/.

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